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Government of Madras.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
17th July 1861.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 22. From R. P. HARRISON, Esq., Accountant General; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 4th July 1861, No. 59.

With reference to paragraph 3 of the Order of Government, No. 192, dated 5th ultimo, Marine Department, calling upon me to report on the question raised by the Superintendent of Marine in the 2nd paragraph of his letter to Government, recorded in their Order, No. 19 of the 12th January last, as to the Department to which the subsidy of Rupees 4,500, payable for the establishment of a monthly communication between Madras, the Northern Ports and Rangoon, should be debited, I have the honor to state that in my opinion the entire amount should be charged to the Postal Department. The Military Department already bears its share of the expense of maintaining the communication in the passage money for Troops and freight for Stores of that Department, payable agreeably to Clause 14 of the Contract between Messrs. Mackinnon Mackenzie and Co. and Government (which amount on each trip to considerably more than the subsidy), and cannot, it appears to me, be fairly debited with any portion of the subsidy.

2nd. In the Budget Estimate for 1861-62, (sanctioned by the Government of India,) provision was made for this charge (Rupees 45,000 for ten trips) under the head of Marine, pending the decision of Government regarding the question of debit; should the Government decide that the subsidy should be considered a charge against the Post Office, I would suggest that the sanction of the Government of India be obtained for the transfer of the amount from the head "Marine" to Postal Department, the charges connected with which are adjusted by the Accountant General to that Government.

No. 23. ORDER THEREON, 17th July 1861, No. 233.

His Excellency the Governor in Council takes the same view as Mr. Harrison as to the Department which should bear the charge for the payments under the head of subsidy, under the terms of the Agreement executed with Messrs. Mackinnon Mackenzie and Co., for the services of a Steamer to run as a Mail and Passenger Packet between Madras, the Northern Ports and Rangoon.

2. A copy of the Accountant General's letter will be forwarded for submission to the Government of India. It will be requested, if they also concur, to give the necessary instructions for transferring the sum of Rupees 45,000 in the Budget Estimate for 1861-62, from the head Marine to that of Post Office.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 24. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, Fort Saint George, dated 17th July 1861, No. 234.

In my letter, 19th March 1860, No. 108, were reported the measures taken to secure the performance by Contract of the Packet service between Madras, the Northern Ports and Rangoon, I am directed now to forward for the information of the Government of India, a copy of the Agreement executed with Messrs. Mackinnon Mackenzie and Co., for the services of a Steamer to run as a Mail and Passenger Packet.

2. Under the Contract, the Government guarantee freight and passage to the extent of Rupees 7,500, and also pay a subsidy of Rupees 4,500 for each trip from Madras, *via* Masulipatam, Cocanada, Vizagapatam, and Bimlipatam to Rangoon, and *vice versa* back to Madras.

3. The Passengers on this line are for the most part Military details, and the passage money at the Contract rates paid on their account is charged to the Military Department. The amount on each trip far exceeds the subsidy, and the Accountant General thinks, therefore, that this payment should not also be debited to that Department, and suggests that the Post Office should bear the charge for the subsidy.

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4. His Excellency in Council, I am to state, takes the same view as Mr. Harrison. If the Government of India concur, instructions will be necessary for transferring the sum of 45,000 Rupees in the Budget Estimate for 1861-62, from the head Marine to that of Post Office.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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The Act. Genl.
" Subdt. of Marine
" Post-Master Genl.

Sup^d 17th with copy of contract

Marine.

N^o 234.

The Secretary to the Govt. of India.
Home Dept^t

Sir.

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Forthong,
10th July 1861

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Marine 1861 Dept.

No 234.

To the Secy. to the
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